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MEETING ANNOUNCEMENT AND AGENDA

Announcement Date: September 28, 2007

FULL BOARD:

EXECUTIVE SESSIONLocation: Resources Auditorium

October 9, 20071416 Ninth StreetTime: 4:00 p.m.Sacramento, California

REGULAR SESSION Location: Resources Auditorium

October 10, 20071416 Ninth StreetTime: 8:00 a.m.Sacramento, California

COMMITTEES:

FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE Location: Resources Auditorium

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MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Location: Resources Bldg.

October 9, 2007

Time: 8:00 a.m. – Noon

15th floor, Room 1506-12

Sacramento, California

POLICY COMMITTEE Location: Resources Bldg.

 October 9, 2007
 15th floor, Room 1506-12

 Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.
 Sacramento, California

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE Location: Resources Auditorium

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Those requiring further information regarding this meeting notice may contact George D. Gentry, Executive Officer, State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection, P.O. Box 944246, Sacramento, CA, 94244-2460, (916) 653-8007. This meeting notice is also available in electronic format at: http://www.fire.ca.gov/bof/board/board_current_docs.html

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BOARD AGENDA

EXECUTIVE SESSION October 9, 2007

Time: 4:00 p.m.

1416 Ninth Street

Location:

Sacramento, California

Resources Auditorium

- 1. Call to Order
- 2. Adjourn to Executive Session

Executive Session: (Closed to the Public) Discussion of Matters Related to Foresters Licensing such as Certifications; Voluntary Relinquishments; and/or Revocations of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications Under Section 11126 (c)(1), (c)(2), (c)(3) of the Government Code; Employee Evaluation Under 11126 (a)(1); also Discussion of Pending and Potential Litigation Under Section 11126 (e) of the Government Code. (The Executive Session may be reconvened if determined necessary.)

REGULAR SESSION October 10, 2007 Time: 8:00 a.m. Location: Resources Auditorium

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- 3. Reconvene Regular Session
- 4. Announcement of Actions taken in Executive Session
- 5. Approval of Minutes from the Regular Meeting of August and September 2007.
- 6. Report of the Chairman.
- 7. Report of the Director/Department.
- 8. Report United States Forest Service.
 - Jim Pena, USFS.
- 9. Report of Board's Advisory Committees
 - California Oak Mortality Task Force (COMTF)

- Range Management Advisory Committee
- Monitoring Study Group
- Professional Foresters Examining Committee.
 Possible Action Items: Issuance of RPF Licenses/CRM Certifications, Withdrawals,
 Reinstatements, Voluntary Relinquishments, Suspensions, Revocations, or other Actions.
- 10. <u>Hearing:</u> The California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) will consider adoption of a regulation to implement legislative amendments to Public Resource Code (PRC) 4584 (k) authorized under Assembly Bill (AB) 1515. This legislation authorizes the Board to modify fuel treatment standards and other requirements of the Forest Fire Prevention Exemption contained in 14 CCR 1038(i). This exemption applies to persons who conduct timber operations from preparing and submitting Timber Harvest Plans, completion reports, and stocking reports when harvesting trees and other commercial forest products for the purpose of reducing the rate of fire spread, fire duration and intensity, fuel ignitability, and ignition of tree crowns. http://www.fire.ca.gov/CDFBOFDB/pdfs/45DayNotice_AB1515_080707.pdf
- 11. Hearing: The California State Board of Forestry and Fire Protection (Board) will consider adoption of amendments to Title 14 CCR § 895.1 Definitions, § 1052 Emergency Notice, § 1052.1 Emergency Conditions, § 1052.4 Emergency Notice for Fuel Hazard Reduction, the regulations for timber harvest practices that reduce wildfire threat and hazardous fuel conditions in the State's private timberlands. The amendments proposed modify fuel treatment standards, modify the minimum post harvest stocking standards, clarify treatment requirements, and establishes a rule extension period. The proposal includes several Options among which the Board may choose as part of the action. The proposal addresses the urgent, extensive and on-going wildfire hazard existing on private forest lands resulting from the combination of increasing quantity and arrangement of natural vegetation.

 http://www.fire.ca.gov/CDFBOFDB/pdfs/FuelHaz 45daynotice 080307.pdf
- 12. Review of the Draft Environmental Impact Report (DEIR) and Public Comment for Jackson Demonstration State Forest (JDSF) Draft Management Plan. **Possible Action Item:** Board may give direction to staff regarding the Final EIR and Management Plan.
- 13. Presentation on the Wildfire Emissions Reduction Study. USFS Alder Springs Project. Mark Nechadom, Bruce Goines.
- 14. Presentation on the Economic and Technology Advancement Advisory Committee.
 - Andrea Tuttle, Member, Economic and Technology Advancement Advisory Committee (ETAAC). ETAAC: "advise (ARB) on activities that will facilitate investment in and implementation of technological research and development opportunities including, but not limited to, identifying new technologies, research, demonstration projects, funding opportunities, developing state, national, and international partnerships and technology transfer opportunities, and identifying and assessing research and advanced technology investment and incentive opportunities that will assist in the reduction of greenhouse gas emissions. The committee may also advise the ARB on state, regional, national, and international economic and technological developments related to greenhouse gas emission reductions."
- 15. Report of Forest Practice, Policy, Management, and Resource Protection Committees.

Note: Committee Chairpersons will report on the outcomes of Committee meetings. The Board may act in response to Committee recommendations. **Possible Action Items:** Recommendations to Board (See Committee Agendas which are incorporated as though fully set forth herein.)

16. Report of the Regulations Coordinator.

Note: The Board's Regulations Coordinator will report on ongoing regulatory matters. The Board may act in response to requests of the Regulations Coordinator on items presented in the report. **Possible Action Items**: Recommendations to Board for Regulatory Actions. Consideration and Adoption of written response to comments, findings, and Final Statements of Reason for regulatory packages (Coho ITP Assistance and RMP).

17. Report of Executive Officer.

Note: The Board's Executive Officer will report on ongoing administrative matters, proposed state or federal legislation or programs, or new items coming before the Board. **Possible Action Items**: The Board may act in response to requests of the Executive Officer on items presented in the report.

18. Public Forum

Note: Members of the public may address the Board on any topic within its jurisdiction not otherwise on the agenda. Submittal of written comments is encouraged to ensure that all comments will be included in the record before the Board. Please be prepared to summarize comments to three minutes in length, or otherwise at the discretion of the chairman. **Submit your request to address the Board under this item via supplied speaker cards prior to the item being called**.

- 19. New and Unfinished business
- 20. Adjournment

COMMITTEE AGENDAS

Location: Resources Auditorium

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FOREST PRACTICE COMMITTEE

October 9, 20071416 Ninth StreetTime: 8:00 a.m. – NoonSacramento, California

- 1. Discussion and update of the Threatened or Impaired Watershed literature review.
- 2. Road Rules Committee Update
- 3. Update on issues for the Tahoe Basin. (Discussion of Potential Emergency Regulations)
- 4. New and Unfinished Business (Status report on Lookout Tower rule and T/I Ext. 2008)

Note: The Forest Practice Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

October 9, 200715th floor, Room 1506-12Time: 8:00 a.m. – NoonSacramento, California

- 1. Review of Draft PTEIR Guidance Document.
- 2. Review of Committee's Governance Work Plan Revisions.
- 3. Review of Revised Tracking Table for Committee Work in Progress.
- 4. Review of Revised Draft Table of Fuel Hazard Reduction Permitting Alternatives.
- 5. Discussion on publicly funded acquisitions of forestland by NGOs.
- 6. New and Unfinished Business

Note: The Management Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

POLICY COMMITTEE

Location: Resources Bldg. October 9, 2007 15th floor, Room 1506-12

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Sacramento, California

- 1. Discussion of the Joint Policy for Anadromous Salmonids.
- 2. Update on the Research Committee.
- 3. Update on the Board and Department's Climate Change and Biomass activities
 - A. Consideration of input to ARB on Forestry Protocols
- 4. Discussion of the Board Strategic Plan
 - A. Work Plan Development
 - B. Indices Development
- 5. Update on the MSG Monitoring Committee.
- 6. New and Unfinished Business. Water Quality Joint Policy.

Note: The Policy Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.

RESOURCE PROTECTION COMMITTEE October 9, 2007

Time: 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Location: Resources Auditorium

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- 1. Update on California Fire Plan, including review of findings and recommendations on the 1996 Plan, and discussion of Staffing Levels, Wildland Fire Protection Fiscal Goals, and Pre-fire Management.
- 2. Update on General Plan Safety Element Reviews pursuant to GC 65302.5.
- 3. Discussion of the VTP Process/Framework for Policy Review. Update on VTP EIR.
- 4. Review and discussion of the Forest Health Work Plan (Fire Emphasis).
- 5. Review of Tahoe Basin Staff report. Update on the Tahoe Commission.
 - A. Consideration of possible input to the Governor.
- New and Unfinished Business.

Note: The Resource Protection Committee may continue discussion of items included in its agenda, or the full Board agenda, if the Board recesses or adjourns.